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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from June 15 to July 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

- **Channahon State Park**

1610675 - This project involves constructing a memorial wall to honor veterans that have lost their battle with PTSD. A sidewalk will circle the wall. Project was submitted for review on 5-11-16.

- **Clinton Lake State Recreation Area**

1700327 - This project involves construction of storage buildings and low profile docks at the Parnell boat access area for use by the University of IL and other collegiate rowing teams. Project was submitted for review on 7-13-16.

- **IDNR Headquarters – Conservation World**

1700179 - This project involves construction of 6 new RV pads and access road. Project was submitted for review on 5-18-16.

- **Starved Rock State Park**

1608239 - This project involves the transfer of a small portion of riverine and land once previously held by IDOT and transferred to IDNR – back to IDOT for the purpose of constructing a new IL 178 bridge. The new bridge alignment will follow the previous bridge alignment, which was razed some 50 years ago. Project was submitted for review on 3-8-16.

- **Mississippi River Area State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1611477 - This project involves replacing a drainage culvert on Diamond Island. Project was submitted for review on 6-7-16.

- **Middle Fork State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1611841 - This project involves re-surfacing existing oil & chip roads and upgrading some gravel roads to oil & chip surface. The existing canoe launch will be regraded and top dressed with natural river stone. Project was submitted for review on 6-15-16.

- **Giant City State Park**

1611769 - This project involves re-aligning a section of the horse trail on the northeast side of Giant City. Project was submitted for review on 6-14-16.

- **Pyramid State Park**

1611773 - This project involves construction of a drainage ditch approximately 320' long x 2' deep to the east of the pond to remove high water levels. Project was submitted for review on 6-14-16.

- **Randolph County Conservation Area**

1612202 - This project involves replacing picnic shelter #3. Project was submitted for review on 6-27-16.

- **Argyle Lake State Park**

1611138 - This project involves utilizing heavy equipment to remove invasive species which have encroached upon the main park road. Project was submitted for review on 5-25-16.

- **Mississippi Palisades State Park**

1611777 - This project involves placement of 3 power poles along Scenic Ridge Road in the hunter parking lot Area #2. Project was submitted for review on 6-14-16.

- **Pere Marquette State Park**

1612253 - This project involves necessary repairs to the Eastman Barn to correct water leakage on the roof. Project was submitted for review on 6-28-16.

Questions and Comments
All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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